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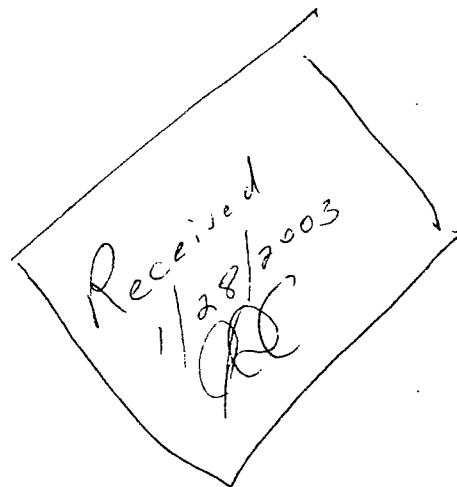
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Dear Mr. Cuffman,

As per our conversation of January 21, 2003 regarding the request for information pursuant to Section 104 of CERCLA for the Ellsworth Industrial Site in Downers Grove, I would like to inform you that our company Global Gear, was acquired by an investor company, namely, IMS in December, 2002.

Because of this recent legal acquisition, information relating to bookkeeping has been out of reach and unavailable onsite since this information was turned over to IMS legal counsel during the acquisition. They are still in possession of this information because legal activities are still in process.

Now that the new managers are taking over the new business, I have sent your request to the IMS lawyers for the pertinent paper work so that the necessary documents required to complete the enclosed questions can be addressed.

I will send the response letter back to you as soon as the requested documents are put together and filled out.

In advance thank you for your understanding of our current business situation. I can be reached at (708) 969-1008, ext. 1780, should you need to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Enrique Saldana

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